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MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF BURLINGTON BOARD OF HEALTH CITY HALL, ROOM 12 THURSDAY, MAY 10, 5:30 PM

Attending: Austin Sumner, Alan Sousie, David Casey, , Mary Hart, Grace Hevey William Ward, Linda Ayer

Absent: Emma Hevey, Ian Galbraith

Public: Tom Dion

Meeting called to order by Chair, Austin Sumner at 5 - 5:45 PM

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Approval of Agenda and Minutes of Prior Meeting	Amend agenda for Tom Dion of Water DeptBOH Strategic Plan Speaker to Item #4 prior to Chairman's Report as no Public was present thus Public Forum was eliminated.	Approval of Amended Agenda, Approval of Minutes April 12, 2012
2. Public Forum	None present	

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Pesticide Herbicide Permit Applications 4. BOH Strategic Plan Speaker's	 Global Companies, LLC Pesticide Application – No representative present. A. Sousie provided history of Global Company's efforts to reduce the amount of pesticide application with construction of berms of gravel Bill Ward, David Casey and Austin Sumner are interested in attending inspection. TBD Restore gravel coverage that has deteriorated Discussion: Berms for Hurricane Katrina were inadequate for containment. City of Burlington Arborist withdrew request for permit for pesticide treatment as 408 Ethan Allen Parkway/James Ave as it does not fall within the buffer zone. Presentation by Tom Dion on Water Supply (not 	BOH Approved Global Companies' application according to the written plan Letter to be sent reaffirming defined procedures as directed by the Board w/ follow-up inspection to be arranged at earliest convenience. BOH Approved that Health Officer can make determinations of health and safety at a site based on single incident emergency situations.
Panel a. Tom Dion, Chief Operator, City Water Dept	waste water) Only fluoride and disinfectant added to drinking water. Disinfection is in compliance w/ new EPA rule. Moving toward chloramine in rural areas which is a powder activated carbon – No Violations last year - based on 4 sample locations Lake water intake is 4200 feet beyond the breakwater, Controlling zebra mussels yearly, dose w/ potassium promiginate at.5PPM (similar to chloride) creating uncomfortable atmosphere for mussels in the pipe. City water meets raw water quality sources	

requirements for testing at state of VT and test for 87 possible contaminants -. Nothing on the list is showing up in our water. Private lab does the testing.

In-house testing for ecoli and choloform bacterias. 50 sites per month.

CURRENT NEEDS:

New liners. (How funded?) Millions of dollars to repair..

Security system at reservoirs – mushroom vents have been secured, louvered vents w/ cameras and motion sensors and video camera ...

FUTURE NEEDS:

Problems going toward upgrading and looking at fiber-optic monitoring as feasibility is in question.

DISCUSSION/COMMENTS FROM BOH:

Austin Sumner:

What are plans when systems are not in compliance?

No documented studies on Chloramine, however; chlorine disinfection products are assoc. w/ bladder cancer.

Alan Sousie:

Commends effort of Water Dept Sample Pamphlet to include the information about Fluoride and Infant Formula and contact for more information.

Question about testing household water lines for lead.

Tom Dion's Responses:

FY 2013 testing on tap water of 30 households for lead content: Requirement by state of VT - 30 sites once every 3 years.

Disinfection by-products are the biggest concern. Nothing is offered that is realistic for use in a filter plant. Austin Sumner will investigate funding for security upgrade of the reservoirs.

BOH to follow progress with compliance with EPA rules for water quality.

Austin Sumner to assist with developing materials on Fluoride that Water Department can incorporate into their Website.

BOH available to assist with developing educational materials.

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	Anthracite filter/Automatic backwash – controls disinfection byproducts and occasional run off from turbidity samples which are still low. Waste Water Remediation Infrastructure is DPW issue	
5. Chair's Report	C. b I V	
a. Annual Report Points	School Inspections Fluoride POPE - LA HIPPA Strategic Plan Resolution for Smoking Ordinance - DC Urban Agiculture. NALBOH - WW Healthy Homes Budget	Previous annual reports to A. Sumner;
 Burlington Lead Program - Health Protected Information Proposal Update 		Forward Dr. Chen's response to HIPPA letter to Gene Bergman, Atty for draft of plan B.
6. Members' Reports • P.O.P.E. (Pesticide Ordinance Public Education)	Lawn Lab Updates – seeking loan of DR Mower Aerator for Phase II participants. Awaiting response to Lintilhac grant proposal	Advertise for Phase III participants for lawn labs.
• School Inspections	There are three remaining schools to be inspected in FY13. Two of these schools were recently	Approved summary report on school inspections written by Alan Sousie.
	renovated. BHS campus inspection is completed; report forthcoming. • Air quality matter – storage room for sports equipment; repair air circulator	David Casey to report via e-mail resolution of the Edmunds School chair stacks.
		In Fall of FY13, a new BOH inspection team is to complete inspection of remaining 3 school houses: Sustainability Academy; CP Smith Elementary School; Essential Early Education/District Administrative Building

 Burlington Partnership for a Healthy Community Urban Agriculture Task Force 	BPHC is meeting on May 11 and there will be a report at June BOH meeting Task Force is developing recommendations for the City Council.	
7. Staff Report Code Enforcement Updates • Pesticide Use Investigations Web Updates/Front Porch Forum		
Deputy Health Officer Approval	Kim Ianelli, Code Inspector	Approved deputy health officer.
BOH Calendar FY13	FY13 BOH Calendar Second Thursday of the Month, 5:30 – 8:00 PM, rotating locations between DPW, Robert Miller, Room 12 at City Hall	Approved BOH Calendar for FY13 –
8. Agenda Items/Next Meetings	July: Farmers' Markets – Chris Wagner - Linda Ayer invites August: FAHC – Julia Cole's replacement – David Casey invites September: Emergency Preparedness Seth Lasker – Bill Ward invites October: Food & Lodging – Liz Wirsing – Austin Sumner invites November: COTS/Burlington Emergency Shelter - December: Public Safety – January: Urban Agriculture -	June: David Casey will invite Mariah Sanderson for Burlington Partnership for a Healthy Community as the speaker.
9. Adjournment	7:45 PM	Next Meeting: Thursday, June 14, 2012 5:30 PM Robert Miller Comm. Center